



Minutes of Sustainable Orangeville

April 5, 2022, 7:00 p.m.

Chair and Secretary Participating Remotely
The Corporation of the Town of Orangeville

Members Present: Councillor G. Peters
V. Nilsson
M. Smith
M. Whitcombe
M. Rowley
J. Lemon
Miranda O'Connor

Members Absent: A. Seagram
T. Woods
C. McCabe

Staff Present: C. Cosgrove
Andrea Shaw

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m.

2. Disclosures of (Direct or Indirect) Pecuniary Interest

None Stated.

3. Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meeting

That the minutes of March 1, 2022 be adopted.

Recommendation: March 1, 2022

Moved by M. Whitcombe

That the minutes of the following meeting are approved:

Carried

4. Presentations

Presentation by Kylie-Anne Grube, Climate Engagement Specialist and Sara Wicks, Manager of Energy and Climate from Dufferin County to discuss Climate Action in Dufferin and a Bike Month initiative for June.

Planning a Community Bike Ride event June 25 with bike booth stops along the ride. Requesting assistance from the committee; to have a Sustainable Orangeville Committee booth and for volunteers to assist in event planning. J. Lemon and M. Whitcombe volunteered to assist with event planning and G. Peters will take the lead on organizing a committee presence at the event.

5. Items for Discussion and Reports

5.1 Sub-Committee Updates

5.1.1 Waste Sub-Committee

None Stated.

5.1.2 Communities in Bloom

Confirmation of the enrolment in the Communities in Bloom non-competitive program for 2022. Judges evaluation tour will occur July 12-14, 2022. Additional tasks and meetings to ensue for the planning of the tour. Discussions to continue for volunteer recruitment for CiB.

5.1.3 Active Transportation

Member Valerie Nilsson provided the committee all the information on the Ride to Market event planned for May 21st. Official campaign to launch during Earth Week, with support from BIA, Dufferin County, and Town of Orangeville.

5.1.4 Urban Harvest

Martina Rowley provided an update on an association meeting and discussed the potential expansion ideas for Urban Harvest.

5.1.5 Bat Boxes

Moved by V. Nilsson

That the Sustainable Orangeville Committee will pay the invoice received from Branching Out Support Services Inc. in the amount of \$181.62 for the materials to construct bat boxes.

Carried

5.1.6 Community Gardens

Chair Peters advised the committee that General Manager, Ray Osmond is drafting a new community garden policy that outlines a clear framework and division of tasks for the gardeners. Further information to be provided to the committee in the future.

6. Correspondence

6.1 Partnership with Starbucks

The Committee reviewed the letter from Starbucks with respect to programs or initiatives. The committee will send over the Earth Week events line up, Urban Harvest volunteer information, and discuss potential refreshment sponsorship for community events. Chair Peters will draft a letter of response on behalf of the committee with the assistance of the Committee Secretary.

6.2 Bee City Renewal

Moved by M. Whitcombe

That the committee will renew the Bee City designation and pay the membership fee of \$300 for 2022.

Carried

7. New Business

7.1 Earth Week

Earth Week Event Line-Up

April 19, 7:00 p.m. - Bat Box Information Session (virtual)

April 20, 7-9 p.m.. - Bike Repair Workshop (in-person) - location within Rec Centre (specifics are TBA)

April 21, 7:00 p.m. - Earth Week - What's in it for ME by Andrew Welch;

April 21, 10:30 a.m. - Mill Library Story Time with Mayor and Councillor Peters

April 23, 9:30 a.m. - Tree Planting Event, Harvey Curry Park - registration required through CVC.

The committee opted to postpone the Environmental Awards to Summer/Fall of 2022.

Moved by J. Lemon

That the Sustainable Orangeville committee will fund the purchase of 5 new environmental books for the Orangeville Library.

Carried

7.2 Seed Library

The seed library is back and up and running at the Mill Street Library and has a designated Library staff member that is assisting in overseeing the seed library.

8. Date of Next Meeting

The committee will cancel the May 3, 2022 meeting and therefore the next meeting is scheduled for June 7, 2022.

Moved by J. Lemon

That the May 3, 2022 scheduled committee meeting be cancelled.

Carried

9. Adjournment

The committee adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

Moved by M. Rowley

That the committee adjourn at 8:36 p.m.

Carried